

Plans presented for Indian-owned casino

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The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians presented plans for a proposed casino in Romulus at the city council meeting Monday night.

The tribe currently owns and operates five casinos, including the Kewadin Casinos located in the Upper Peninsula and 15 non-gaming businesses. They are well known in southeastern Michigan for their 95 percent ownership in the Greektown Casino downtown.

The presentation highlighted many different areas of interest including the tribal history, current casinos and the impact they believe a casino would have on the City of Romulus.

"We will work with the city of Romulus to assure that Romulus residents have job opportunities at the casino."

The tribe proposed a \$350 million world-class destination casino, conference center, golf course and hotel, which will bring an anticipated 17,500 people to Romulus each day. The casino would have more than 2,500 slot machines and more than 90 table games. Plans estimated that this casino, which would sit on 40 acres of an undisclosed location, would add 3,500 jobs to the city.

The average salary of these jobs would be \$40,000 a

year, \$32,000 in actual wages and \$8,000 in benefits. These numbers are based on the prevailing casino wages in this area. The tribe was adamant that most of these would be union jobs.

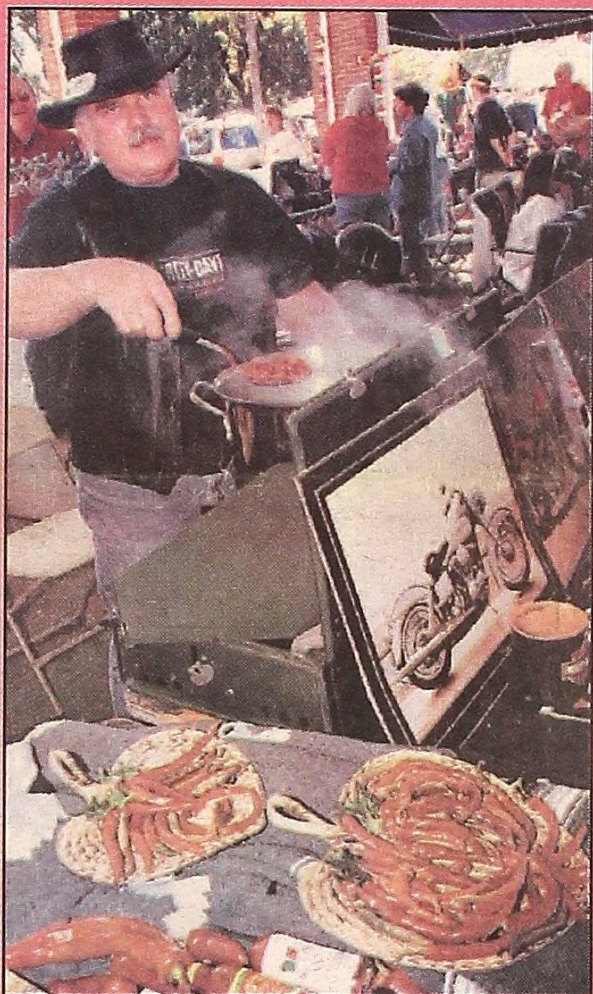
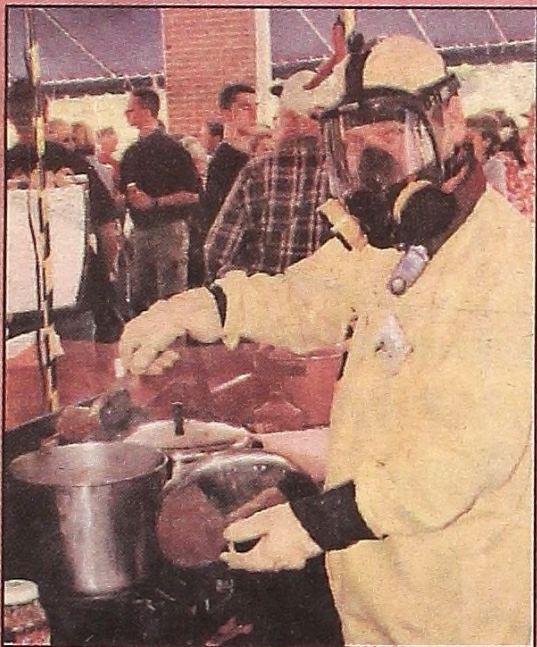
"We will work with the city of Romulus to assure that Romulus residents have job opportunities at the casino," said Steve Mitchell, consultant for the Chippewa Indians. "As is the case with other area casinos, except for supervisory personnel, these will be high paying, union jobs."

The tribe rebutted the myth that the only union jobs will be during the construction phase ensuring the residents and city council that all other area casinos have union employees as would the Romulus facility.

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Chili daze

Cooks from throughout the area filled downtown Plymouth Sunday during the Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook Off. Many, like Lou Buk, below, let potential tasters know just how dangerously spicy their concoctions were, while others like the cook at right, let the array of chili peppers and spices display a warning to the weak of heart.



Schools awarded mentoring grant

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The \$112,000 Mentoring Grant, a partnership between the Romulus School District and Western Michigan University has begun with outstanding results.

This grant is the second cooperative educational arrangement between the Romulus schools, which serves as one of the two eastern Michigan sites for student teachers and Western.

The Mentoring Grant is under the direction of Western professors, Dr. Cynthia Halderson and Dr. Mark Jennes. They conduct extensive interviews with both Romulus mentor teachers and the new teachers who will be mentored throughout the school year.

The State of Michigan requires that new teachers receive mentoring help for the first three years of their educational careers. This is important to Romulus schools, because so many new staff members have been hired over the past several years.

Halderson and Jennes both said that they enjoy working with the staff members from Romulus

schools and stressed the importance of the program.

"The role of the mentor teacher is very important because at the national level, one-third of beginning teachers leave the field after three years and half leave by the fifth year," said Jennes.

He also went on to say, "The mentor-mentee relationship should be like a teacher in-service workshop where strengths, weaknesses and possible improvements are continuously discussed."

Halderson talked about systematic ways for new teachers to take inventory of their teaching by noting student response to their lessons. She also suggested that the new teachers then discuss the results with their respective mentor teachers.

Approximately 40 Romulus teachers serve as mentors in this program. Western Michigan University will survey both the mentors and the mentees throughout this program and use observations to improve the mentor-mentee relationship and refine the teacher education program at Western.



Among the Romulus teachers attending the recent Mentor workshop at Romulus High School were, sitting from left, Alicia Deltoro, Barbara Knight, Linda Goulette Heather Doame and Erica Daman and standing, Western Michigan University Education Professors, Dr. Mark Jennes and Dr. Cynthia Halderson.

4 cited in police decoy operation

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Retailers in Romulus are keeping tobacco products out of the hands of minors, according to a compliance check completed by the Romulus Police Department recently.

"Compliance is excellent here in Romulus," said Sgt. Clifford West of the Romulus Police Department.

The checks utilize Explorer Scouts, who are accompanied by Romulus police officers within the community. The Scouts, ages 13-17, enter an establishment that sells tobacco products and attempt to purchase a pack of cigarettes. If the Scouts are able to buy the cigarettes, they immediately report it to the police officer

accompanying them.

The Scout identifies the individual who sold him the cigarettes and a fine is issued on the spot. The fine for a first time offense is \$50.

Out of the 52 locations that were checked, there were only four violations.

"Most of the retailers are trying to do their part and they realize they have to comply with this law," said West. "We have responsible business owners in this city."

The compliance checks, done in conjunction with the Knopf Company in Plymouth, are very important to Romulus, as well as the surrounding communities. If the State of Michigan drops below an 80 percent compliance rate with these checks, 40 percent of all substance abuse prevention

and treatment block grant funds will be cut.

"Some of the business owners in Romulus actually threatening to call the police," said West. "They kids had to explain that they were with police officers doing these checks."

These checks are also important to the community, because they make a difference in the lives of children.

"We need to make sure that the youth in our community aren't putting themselves at risk," said West. "With all the health concerns that have come out about using tobacco, we think it is our job to protect them from it until they are at an age where they can make the right decision."

The checks are usually done twice a year in Romulus.

Efforts under way to secure Maybury funding

Scott Spielman
Editor

The Northville Community Foundation and supporters of the effort to rebuild and replenish the farm at Maybury State Park took another step toward their goals last week.

Shari Peters, executive director of the Northville Community Foundation, said that Stephen Moore and Audrey Mistor will head the efforts to secure corporate donations for the rebuilding effort.

"They're awesome," she said. "We're incredibly grateful to them."

Moore is the senior vice president and director of business development for Standard Federal Wealth Management in

Northville. Mistor is president of Main Street Bancorp, Inc. in Northville.

They are faced with the task of collecting \$3 million from donors throughout southeastern Michigan, the sum which Peters estimated would serve as an adequate endowment to fund the farm in perpetuity.

With the endowment in place, the funds to run the farm would come from the interest income it earns every year, she said.

"We really need to get rolling on this," said Mistor, who said she was excited to be a part of the rebuilding effort.

She and Moore are finalizing a fund-raising campaign that she hopes to get approved soon.

"We've got a very good start

with it," she said.

The Northville Community Foundation has been working with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources to assume responsibility for the ongoing funding of the living farm at Maybury State Park, which is off Eight Mile Road west of Beck Road in Northville Township. Peters said she and state officials had discussed the possibility as early as November of 2002, about three months before the farm was destroyed by a February fire that razed the barn and killed virtually every animal that lived on the site.

The foundation recently signed a lease with the DNR to operate the farm; the state will continue to own the land where it sits, and the foundation will

pay rent in the form of rebuilding the farm and providing for the ongoing operation and maintenance, according to Peters.

Mistor said she and other foundation board members are committed to making that happen.

"I think it'll be wonderful, and not just for Northville, but for all of southeastern Michigan," she said. "The visitors that came there were really from all over this area." Peters said that's already evident. She's received letters of support and donations from residents and schools in more than 30 different municipalities.

Mistor said part of the major fund-raising effort would be to tap all of those resources, not

just the ones nearby.

"We really want to involve as many organizations as we can from throughout the area," she said. "We want to make it that anyone who wants to be involved knows what's going on."

Donations to the effort are tax-deductible because the foundation is a registered 501(c)3 organization. Anyone who wants to get involved, either through donations or volunteer efforts can call the office at (248) 374-0200.

Peters said the donations and offers to help out have already been heartwarming, but there is a long way to go before the farm returns to the popular park.

"We're moving constantly on it," she said.

'Good Samaritans' aid in arrest of purse-snatching suspect

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The case of a purse snatching at a Canton Walmart on Ford Road moved forward last week.

Douglas Callender, a 42-year old Westland resident, was arraigned at the 35th District Court before Magistrate Eric Colhurst Oct. 8 on charges stemming from the incident.

At about 6 p.m. Oct. 6, Callender allegedly approached a 30-year-old Westland resident

at the rear of her car in the parking lot of Walmart on Ford Road in Canton Township. He grabbed her purse, breaking the strap, according to April Mack, communications specialist for the Canton Township Department of Public Safety.

Callender then tried to flee the scene, while the victim yelled for help, said Mack.

Five different people heard the victim's pleas and followed Callender, said Sgt. Todd Mutchler, of the Canton Police

Department.

Three of the good Samaritans were from Canton, according to Mutchler.

Shiloh Samara, a 16-year old Canton resident, was tremendously helpful in apprehending Callender, said Mutchler.

"He chased (Callender) down and caught him," said Mutchler.

"I saw a guy running and a lady running behind him yelling, He's got my purse," recalled Samara.

Samara and a friend were in a

car at the time and they jumped out to run after Callender.

"He was in the lead, but then he ran into a pole and fell on the ground," Samara said. "I ran up and got the purse and gave it to the lady."

Three other men ran up at that time and held Callender down. The five individuals detained Callender at the scene until Canton police arrived.

"We didn't believe him at first," said Dawn Samara, Shiloh's mother. "We're really

proud of him."

Callender was found with less than 25 grams of cocaine in his pocket as well, according to Mutchler.

Callender pleaded not guilty to one count of unarmed robbery, a 15-year felony, and one count of possession of cocaine (less than 25 grams), a 4-year felony.

He is being held on a \$20,000 cash bond, said Mack.

A preliminary court hearing on the charges is scheduled for Oct. 17.

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Helping hands

Local store continues to help Romulus less fortunate

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For more than 35 years, Helping Hands has been assisting the less fortunate residents of Romulus and surrounding communities.

Thanks to founder and owner, Florence Klein, the facility on Huron River Drive in Romulus has continued to serve the community and residents in times of need.

Klein credits fate for the founding of the altruistic effort.

Klein's brother was in a serious auto accident in which two other people were killed. Klein felt badly for the family of one of the victims, because he had three children and a wife. So, she took it upon herself to attempt to help the family any way she could.

"I just wanted to do something, anything, that could help," said Klein.

Klein decided the best way to help would be to organize a rummage sale and give the profits to

the family. However, after the sale, Klein was informed that the report she had seen about the victim's family was incorrect. He had no children.

"I thought the best thing to do was give it (the money) to the church, so that a needy family could be helped," said Klein.

And so the idea of Helping Hands was born.

Klein decided to keep organizing the rummage sales through St. Mary in Wayne until the flow of people coming in for help became too great and she decided to open a store to help the needy.

So, she used the money collected from her last rummage sale at the church to pay her first set of bills and opened her store every day to help those in need.

"In those days we used to have 30 volunteers who would come in at different hours and help," said Klein.

"We had a day shift and a night shift."

Today, the store has scaled



From Left, Phyllis Bolus, a 10-year volunteer and Mary Decker, a 12-year volunteer of Helping Hands in Romulus are the type of people that make the store possible, according to founder and owner, Florence Klein.

back some due to the drop in volunteers to 12. Currently the store is open from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday each week.

Families are referred by churches, police departments, schools, etc. to Helping Hands where Klein will supply the family with clothing and food to help them get back on their feet.

"Trust me, it is more fun helping people from this side of the counter," she said. "I needed help at one time, too, so I know how it feels."

Klein is insistent that she could not help people without the assistance of her volunteers.

"My volunteers are everything to this store," said Klein. "They are really what makes everything run and they are wonderful people willing to help."

According to Klein, people don't forget when you help them, even children remember. If they are ever able, they will return the favor.

"People come back to help," said Klein. "If they can, they will."

Helping Hands operates on donations from local churches, residents and fundraisers. The largest fundraiser is the annual Crop Walk from Romulus to Belleville.

"We have received more than \$1,000 in the last couple of years from the walk," said Klein. "It helps a lot."

Helping Hands will accept any type of clothing or food donation.

They have a freezer, so meats, dairy and refrigerated/freezer items are acceptable.

"Bread, potatoes, fresh vegetables," said Klein. "People are so happy when we can give them items like this, because they expect just canned goods."

For information on how you can help Helping Hands call (734) 941-5323 during business hours.

Casino - Voters will decide

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By law, the casino is required to provide local government with 2 percent of slot revenues each year. Mitchell estimated that 2 percent at this casino will pay Romulus \$6 million each year.

The tribe is not required by law to pay taxes on the 40 acres of land in which the casino will sit. According to the proposal, however, they will be required to pay tax on any properties surrounding the casino. This property adjacent to the casino would hold the hotel, restaurants and conference center and would be subject to the approval of city council. The tax revenue from this additional

the casino would do to curtail those in the community with gambling problems.

"We will work with local churches to prevent problem gamblers from gaming. We support Gamblers Anonymous and we will impose bands on gaming for anyone who requests it," said Mitchell.

"The average income in Romulus is just below \$40,000 a year," said Councilman Charles Miller. "We are looking at the possibility of 3,500 jobs. I can't

even fathom the impact of 3,500 jobs in this community...this can be a catalyst for change in this community."

Councilman Leroy Burcroff, has been opposed to the casino since it was initially

suggested, "I don't feel it's a catalyst. The two things the City of Romulus is known for right now are the airport and the Landing Strip, I don't want a casino to be the third thing. We can raise funds in other ways and through other programs for this city. I just want to see something that the citizens of Romulus can be proud of"

The tribe has purchased no property on which to construct a casino and currently there is an ordinance restricting gaming within the city limits. The issue of gaming will be decided by the voters at the Dec. 2 Special Election. The two questions on the ballot will deal with the casino and the proposed racetrack.

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Marc Grant

Blood drive planned

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As reported last week in *The Romulus Roman*, Marc Grant, son of Romulus Police Officer Michael Grant and Jeannine Grant is scheduled for open-heart surgery in late October. This energetic 4-year old and his parents are asking community members to participate in a blood drive Friday, October 24 in honor of Marc.

Those who wish to donate blood are asked to come to the Community Center in Romulus City Hall between 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. to make a donation to the Red Cross in honor of Marc.

Marc will be hand with his smiling face to welcome those who participate.

"We are so happy that so many people are willing to help," said his mother.

"It is nice to know that people care."

Parenting workshop offered at school

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Every parent, no matter how great, goes through times of stress and confusion when it comes to parenting. It is a hard job, for which most people aren't trained. To meet this need, Romulus Elementary School is offering Parent Workshops.

A series of six workshops will be offered this school year to give parents a helping hand in some stressful situations.

"We want to give parents strategies to help them with their parenting skills," said Selassica O'Flynn, social worker at Romulus Elementary School. "We want to try to make their hectic lives a little easier."

The first workshop was Sept. 30 and dealt with school success strategies. Connie Moore of Hegira Programs came in to speak to parents about how to help their children become and stay success in school.

The next workshop will be

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offered at 6 p.m. Oct. 21 and will deal with discipline strategies for parents. This workshop will offer parents insights into the purpose of parenting, consequences children should expect for certain behaviors and how to avoid power struggles with children.

The Nov. 18 a workshop will concentrate on building a child's self-esteem. Parents will learn tools to encourage their children using praise, effective listening and communications skills and how to help their child slowly accept responsibility in life.

Anger management will be the Dec. 9 topic. Again power struggles will be discussed, as well as ways to calm down, how to change angry thinking into positive thinking and techniques to identify and deal with a child's

anger.

The final two workshops on March 23 and 30 will be a two-part series on understanding attention deficit disorder (ADD) and attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD). This workshop will be very informational, teaching parents about what the disorder is and how it can affect their child at home and school. It will also provide parents will ways to help kids with the disorder be successful such as goal setting and the home token program.

"These workshops are very informal and comfortable," said O'Flynn. "We want parents to feel free to say what is on their mind without fear of being judged."

Food and drink are offered, as well as child-care for children during the workshops.

First Step to mark 25 years of service

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Should the specter of domestic violence erupt in the lives of residents throughout the area, there is a place for victims to turn for help.

First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence, has been the constant source of help for victims of domestic violence in Wayne County. This year, First Step will celebrate its 25th Anniversary with a benefit luncheon, "Honoring Our Past, Present, and Future."

The luncheon will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 30 at the Wayne Community Center is located at 4635 Howe Road in Wayne, south of Michigan Avenue between Venoy and Wayne roads.

Carrabba's Italian Grill in Canton Township will provide the lunch. Tickets are \$25 per person and seating is limited.

During the luncheon, First Step will present the 2003 Spirit of Hope Award.

"It's an award where we recognize people who have really made a contribution to what we do, and have supported us," said Shareia Carter, First Step volunteer coordinator.

Carter added that the recipients were chosen in large part due to the longevity of their support. This year's recipients include Brian Duggan, Carol Eggen, Tillie LaFave, Judge Gail McKnight, and the Oakwood Health Care System.

"We have doctors through Oakwood who actually come out to the shelter," said Carter.

It's an award where we recognize people who have really made a contribution to what we do, and have supported us.

The luncheon also allows First Step an opportunity to recognize the hard work of past and present staff, interns, volunteers, board members and donors.

"Literally thousands of caring people from all walks of life (during) the past 25 years have worked diligently to make our communities safer. On Oct. 30 we would like to reunite all of our old friends and supporters to celebrate our successes and honor special contributors," said Judy Ellis, First Step executive director.

According to Ellis, the organiza-

tion has assisted more than 150,000 Wayne County families during the past 25 years. In addition to running a 42-bed shelter for victims of domestic violence, First Step also offers short term counseling and support groups, a 24-hour help line, an assault response program and legal aid.

"For 25 years, this is the work that we've done," said Carter.

According to Carter, although the main office of the organization is in Plymouth, they have branches throughout western Wayne County. She noted, for instance, that First

Step maintains offices in the Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Taylor, Westland, and Inkster police stations, which allows staff members to be on-hand when a complaint is made. In addition, staff is available to provide support for victims in area hospitals.

The celebration will also serve as a reminder that October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Carter said. The luncheon is First Step's way of bringing attention to the national movement. Participants are welcome to wear, or purchase on-site, the purple ribbons signifying their support for victims of domestic violence.

To purchase tickets to the luncheon, to volunteer, or for more information about First Step, call (734) 416-1111. To reach the 24-hour help line, call 1-888-453-5900.

Holiday exhibit to feature train

There are still some spots left for the annual Halloween Walk event in the City of Wayne.

The event is going on its 15th year, according to Parks and Recreation Director Kim Fallow. It takes place this year on Oct. 23 and 24 in Attwood Park, which is off Howe Street south of Annapolis Street in Wayne.

"Hopefully, we'll have an Indian Summer weekend," she said.

The Halloween Walk is a lin-

ear story, where participants see the tale unfold through several different stops throughout the park, where actors present different scenes.

The popular event has changed slightly for this year. There's a new theme for it - The Quest for the Golden Treasure - and a new way for participants to get from one scene to the next.

This year, instead of walking, they'll take a miniaturized train through the park, from scene to

scene. That means each trip is limited to about 18 people, she said.

"We won't be able to accommodate the same number of people this year," she said.

Pre-registration is suggested for the event. Tickets are on sale now at the Wayne Community Center, which is adjacent to the park. They are \$4 for residents and \$5 for non-residents. Children younger than 2 years old are free.

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Neighbors plan fundraiser for victims of party-store shooting

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In the aftermath of one of the most horrific crimes in the city, friends and neighbors have rallied together to collect funds for victims of the Sept. 11 shootings at Neil's Party Store.

"I'm friends with (Conrad) Hasper," said Sue Pietruszka, a lifelong Westland. "I knew Frankie. I was at that party store twice a day. They were always very friendly."

Pietruszka is referring to store employee Conrad Hasper, 24, who was shot but survived, and employee Feras Yousif (Frank), 29, who was shot and killed. Also killed were customers James Kuebler, 35, Kenneth Littlefield, 63, and Keith Gaddis, 44. Another customer, 29-year-old Fuad Abuali, was shot and survived.

Pietruszka went door-to-door

to collect money, along with her friend, Hieka Corylo. They also placed collection bottles at the nearby Kroger, Marathon and janitorial supply shop, and collected about \$1,100. Some money was spent on funeral flowers, and the rest was split between the six

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families, according to Pietruszka.

Their next fundraiser will be a bingo night that will take place Monday, Oct. 27, at the Wayne Ford Civic League, located at 1661 N. Wayne Road. All proceeds from the event, which is sponsored by the Westland Jaycees and the Wayne Ford

Civic League, will go to the victims' families, according to Pietruszka.

"The hall was donated and the employee time was donated," explained Pietruszka. "The only overhead we have is the payout to the winners."

However, she added that winners may choose to take their winnings or may opt to donate the money to the fund.

The bingo games will start at 6:30 p.m. There will be a bake sale and raffle prior to bingo, starting at 4 p.m. The event is open to the public.

Additionally, Artman's Nursery in Wayne has agreed to donate four trees that will be planted at Neil's Party Store, one for each victim killed.

Pietruszka said she hopes to have a plaque made for each tree bearing the name of the deceased.

Wayne resident wins \$1000 in Rotary raffle

A Wayne resident was among the three winners of the annual raffle organized by the Huron Township Rotary Club this year.

The top prize, a 2003 Harley Davidson Ultra Classic and trailer, went to Al Johnson of Lincoln Park. Beth Sinacola of New Hudson won the second

prize, \$2,000, and Ray Denton of Wayne took the third prize, of \$1,000.

The fundraiser provides money for the many local projects the Rotary takes on each year, including the Helping One Student to Succeed (HOST) program at the elementary

schools, the libraries at Brown and Miller Elementary schools and Renton Junior High School, the Goodfellows, the Huron Soccer Association and more. Last spring, they awarded more than \$6,400 in scholarships to members of the class of 2003.



Book signing

Wayne County Clerk Cathy Garrett spoke at the noon meeting of the Wayne Rotary Club last week about her efforts to establish ancillary county clerk's offices outside Detroit. She stressed the convenience of being able to access the services of the county clerk without traveling to the City County Building downtown for residents. Following her talk, the members of the club donated a book in Garrett's name to one of the local elementary schools, a practice the club began as part of the literacy program. Speakers are asked to sign the book which is then given to the school in their name.

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD SEPTEMBER 22, 2003 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ROMULUS CITY HALL, 11111 WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MICHIGAN 48174.

The meeting was called to order at 7-30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tern Randolph Gear.

Present: LeRoy Burcroff, William A. Crova, Randolph Gear, Charles Miller, Michael Prybyla, Debbie Romak, William Wadsworth.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Alan Lambert, Mayor
Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
Pamela Morrison/Kersey, CMFA, Treasurer

1. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova, to approve the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-386

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held September 8, 2003 as amended.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

3A. State Representative Bill O’Neil and members of the Southern Wayne Board of Directors of the American Heart Association presented to the City of Romulus a plaque in honor of the recent gift of life-saving equipment (three automated external defibrillators AEDs) donated to the Romulus Fire Department (a donation value of nearly \$4500), to be placed on fire and emergency first response vehicles.

03-387

3B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to transfer ownership of a 2003 SDD & SDM licensed business, located at 37312 Eureka, Romulus, Michigan 48174 in Wayne County, from Jalal Y. Jameel to Topflite Liquor Inc., at the same above location, subject to obtaining a Certificate Of Occupancy and Final Inspection.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-388

3C. Motion by Romak, supported by Prybyla, to schedule a Public Hearing to be held October 27, 2003, at 6:30 p.m. in the City of Romulus Council Chambers, located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 for the purpose of completing the vacation of the remaining streets and alley way in the Rodgers Ecorse Estates Subdivision.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-389

3D. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to grant a No-Fee permit to the Romulus Senior High School for the 2003 Homecoming Parade scheduled for September 26th 2003, at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-390

3E1. Motion by Burcroff, supported Prybyla to remove PC-2002-027 Metro World Centre request for Planned Development Area Designation from the table (Resolution 03-379).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-391

AEG. Motion Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and the request of the petitioner, Metro World Centre, PC 2002-027c for approval of a Planned Development Area (PDA) and introduce an amendment to the zoning map by designating approximately 556 acres of land on the west side of Vining Road between I-94 and Ecorse Road as a PDA. DP#’s; 82-80-033-99-0001-700, 82-80-033-99-0002-000, 82-80-033-99-0003-700, 80-82-033-99-0004-000, 82-80-033-99-0005-000, 82-80-033-99-0006-703, 82-80-033-99-0012-000, 82-80-034-99-0004-000, 82-80-034-99-0005-701, 82-80-034-99-0006-000, 82-80-034-99-0007-000, 82-80-035-99-0003-000, 82-80-035-99-0006-701, 82-80-035-99-0007-000, 82-80-036-99-0001-000, 82-80-036-99-0002-000, 82-80-036-99-0003-701, 82-80-036-99-0004-701, 82-80-036-99-0005-701, 82-80-036-99-0006-700, 82-80-036-99-0007-704, 82-80-036-99-0007-707, 82-80-061-99-0001-703, 82-80-061-99-0002-000, 82-80-061-99-0003-701, 82-80-061-99-0004-000, and to approve the revised Metro World Planned Development Agreement submitted on September 12, 2003 and the amendment dated September 22, 2003.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-392

4A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to rescind Resolution 03-382, a resolution requesting Congressman John Dingell hold introduction or action on House

Bill 2793 naming the City of Romulus as alternative land in the settlement of land claims of the Sault Ste. Marie Indian Tribe, until the citizens of Romulus have an opportunity to vote on construction of a casino in the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Wadsworth. Nays - Burcroff, Miller, Romak. Motion Carried.

03-393

4B. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to adopt a memorial resolution to the family of Gerald Brewer.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Motion by Romak, supported by Burcroff to accept the Chairperson’s Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-394

5A. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to introduce Budget Amendment 03/04-14.

FUND/DEPT.	ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
Federal Law Enforcement Fund Expenditures					
267-3710-737.80-10		Capital Outlay & Equip.	0	21,350	21,350
Fund Balance		AVAILABLE		APPROPRIATE	BALANCE
Federal Law Enforcement Fund		38,608		21,350	17,258

To appropriate additional funds for the purchase of 61 bulletproof vests.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-395

5B. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of D.P.W. Director Carl Brooks and Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway, and award Bid 03/04-04 Gravel, Limestone, Sand and Topsoil to the lowest bidder, Brigill Trucking in the amount of their “per unit” price quote.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-396

5C. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to concur with the recommendation of DPW. Director Carl Brooks and Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway, and to award Bid 03/04-07 for a period of one (1) year, for Sign Posts and Accessories to the only bidder, Unistrut Detroit Services Company in the amount of their “per piece” price quote.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously..

03-397

5D. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of DPW. Director Carl Brooks and Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway to reject Bid 03/04-08 Tires & Tire Repair, and grant authorization to re-let.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5E. *Item Deleted.

03-398

5F. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Burcroff to concur with the recommendation of Public Safety Director Charles Kirby and Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway, and award Bid 03/0410, four (4) Law Enforcement Carbines to the lowest bidder, C.M.P. Distributors in the amount of \$4,678.00,

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-399

5G. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to concur with the recommendation of Purchasing Coordinator Lynn Conway, and grant authorization for the renewal of the annual maintenance contract for the Postal Machine and Meter and further, to extend this approval for the life of the Machine.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-400

5H. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to concur with the recommendation of D.P.W. Director Carl Brooks and City Engineers, Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, to award the Ball Road/Beverly Road Water Main and Paving Construction Project Bid to Davenport Brothers Construction in the amount of \$524,499.50.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Middle school students earn way to camp

Meghan Chatham
Staff Writer

The old saying, “necessity is the mother of invention,” is an idea that has been exemplified by the teachers, parents, and students of South Middle School in Belleville.

Due to budget cuts, the school lost the funding for the annual sixth grade camp program. Since then, teachers, parents, and students have sought new ways to fund the program, according to South Middle School Assistant Principal Michelle Baker-Herring

Without the assistance from the school district, students are now responsible for covering the entire \$215 per student cost of the trip. “Prior to this year, the board (funded) one-third of the cost,” Baker-Herring said.

During the sixth grade orientation at the beginning of the school year, Baker-Herring said the entire cafeteria was packed with parents who wanted to learn more about the camp. As the staff discussed the camp and its benefits and showed slides of previous trips, she said the parents became increasingly

enthusiastic.

“I had parents waiting (in the office) with their checkbooks, wanting to pay the whole amount,” said Baker-Herring about the parents’ reaction to the presentation.

However, simply writing a check was not an option for many parents. The staff and the parents were reluctant to give up the program, so they went looking for alternative ways to fund it. The school hosted a traditional fundraiser, which Baker-Herring says was “very successful”, that allowed students to apply 45 per-

cent of their total sales toward the cost of camp. While several students earned enough through

the fundraiser to pay for their trip, the majority still needed help, she said. When traditional fundraisers fell short, parents and teachers at South turned to their neighbors for support.

“We really reached out to the community to figure out what other avenues we could pursue,” said Baker-Herring.

The pleas of parents, students, and teachers were answered by local businesses.

“At this time, Glen Silvenis and the Drakes (local realtors) have volunteered the use of their moving vans to transport student luggage to and from camp the week of Oct. 27,” said Baker-Herring. She added that without the donation of the vans, the cost per student would be higher than \$215.

In addition, she says that both Meijer in Belleville and Johnston Lithographic have offered to sponsor students who otherwise could not afford the trip.

Of about 230 sixth graders in the school, Baker-Herring expects between 150 and 160 will ultimately participate in the program.

The trip would involve a five-day camping trip, from Oct. 27-31, to Jackson, that would, according to Baker-Herring, give students the chance to bond with each other, develop survival skills, such as how to create a shelter, and participate in healthy outdoor activities.

“It (is) a good team building experience,” said Baker-Herring. She added that the experience was good for the students, who were all in a new school.

Church plans Halloween card party

The Saint Simon and Jude Church at 32500 Palmer Road in Westland will host a Halloween Card Party next week.

The event will take place from 6:30-11 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 24. Tickets are \$7, which includes a light meal and snacks, along with

door and table prizes, and a 50-50 raffle.

There will be a wide variety of card and other games to play. The proceeds from the event go toward the building fund at the church. For more information, call (734) 728-2090 or (734) 729-2716.

NOTICE

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS, COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2003

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the City of Romulus, County of Wayne State of Michigan:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, in conformity with the “Michigan Election Laws” that I, the undersigned City Clerk for the City of Romulus, will upon any day except Sunday, a legal holiday and the day of any regular or special election, receive application for registration from any resident not registered, who may APPLY for such registration EXCEPT during the time intervening between the day of the CLOSE of registration for the General Election and the day of such election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT registrations will be taken at the Secretary of State Branch Offices, or in the Office of the City Clerk, Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan between the hours of:

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
AND THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER WILL BE:
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2003
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

For the purpose of REVIEWING THE REGISTRATION AND REGISTERING such of the qualified electors that shall properly apply therefor, the name of no person but an ACTUAL RESIDENT of the City of Romulus at the time of registration, and entitled under the constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election shall be entered in the registration book

Each person registering must possess the following qualifications:

1. Must be a citizen of the United States.
2. Must be 18 years of age on, or before November 3, 2003.
3. Must be a resident of the State of Michigan for at least 30 days and a resident of the City, of Romulus.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the following two proposals:

PROPOSAL - 1

Shall the City of Romulus allow casino gaming within the corporate limits of the City of Romulus, in accordance with the Michigan Gaming Control and Revenue Act 1997 Public Act 69 and/or the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act?

YES _____ NO _____

PROPOSAL - 2

Shall the City of Romulus allow horse racing, the attendant pari-mutuel wagering, and other gaming within the corporate limits of the City of Romulus in accordance with the Horse Racing Law of 1995, 1995 Public Act 279?

YES _____ NO _____

Public notice is hereby given as provided for in Section 168.653a of the Michigan Election Law, as amended.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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FROM PAGE 7 03-401

6A1. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Crova to authorize the elected officials to attend the National League of Cities Winter Conference to be held in Nashville, Tennessee, December 9th 13th, 2003.

Roll Call vote Showing: Ayes- Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-402

6A1b. Motion by Crova, supported Burcroff to designate Mayor Alan Lambert as a voting delegate to the National League of Cities Winter Conference to be held in Nashville, Tennessee, December 9th 13 th 2003.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A2. No Action Taken.

03-403

6A3. Motion by Crova, supported by Burcroff to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 03/04-9 and 10 introduced at the meeting held September 8, 2003, to recognize and appropriate additional funds for the purchase of a boring machine for water and sewer taps per Resolution 03-341 and to recognize grant revenues and expenditures for the TEMA Supplement Grant for Terrorism Preparedness.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

03-404

6A4. Motion by Burcroff, supported by Wadsworth to approve second reading and final adoption of an amendment to Chapter 4, Animal Ordinance introduced at the meeting held September 2, 2003, to provide for additional definitions and to provide for possession and maintenance of certain animals.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Wadsworth. Nays - Miller, Prybyla, Romak. Motion Failed.

03-405

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Burcroff to pay Warrant 03-18, in the grand total amount of One million, sixty two thousand, thirty six dollars and ninety three cents (\$1,062,036.93).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Miller. Abstain - Crova. Motion Carried.

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Romak to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Burcroff, Crova, Gear, Miller, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held September 22, 2003.

Linda R. Choate, Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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WELL AWARE

Church offers addiction counseling program

Heather Connor
Staff Writer

For Pastor Dale Bragg, helping people who struggle with an addiction has become a passion.

Bragg, who is a pastor at Metro Baptist Church in Belleville, has started a local chapter of Reformers Unanimous, a national addictions program headquartered in Rockford, Ill. The program is open to all adults who struggle with an addiction or a "stubborn habit," Bragg said. His chapter will meet at the church from 7-9 p.m. every Friday. The program is free of charge, but a \$5 fee for books will apply. Free childcare is also provided.

Reformers Unanimous is the fastest-growing addiction program in the country right now, Bragg said. Statistics show that more than 93 percent of people who participate in the program remain addiction-free. After he

heard about the program and the testimonies of former addicts, he thought the program would be a great thing to bring to Belleville, Bragg said.

"I came from a background of addictions and I know that there are a lot of functioning addicts out there," Bragg said. "You can be addicted to not only alcohol and drugs, but to simple things such as food, sex, coffee and anger. The program covers all aspects of addictions."

The program currently hosts 17 members, but there is plenty of room for more, Bragg said. He said he has been trained by Reformers Unanimous to coordinate the program, which uses small group techniques to provide a one-on-one approach. Participants can be assured of their privacy, as the program leaders are sensitive to the way addictions work, he said. Participants are not forced to reveal what their addiction is,

"I came from a background of addictions and I know that there are a lot of functioning addicts out there."

Pastor Dale Bragg

Bragg said.

"Being a faith-based program, we don't really want to go into great detail about addictions," Bragg said. "We don't describe addictions in detail because it may stir up an addict's desire to use."

The program benefits anyone with any kind of an addiction, but it is focused mainly on those that affect the home structure, such as alcohol, drugs, pornography and gambling, Bragg said. These kinds of addictions can affect an addict's marriage, job and home life, he said. The program provides "restoration and reclamation," according to Bragg, and participants are encouraged to

progress at their own pace.

Childcare is also provided for participants during the program. A nursery is provided for children from birth to 3 years, and a program focused on character-building is provided for children between 4 and 14, he said.

Children will do crafts and other activities, as well as have an opportunity to talk about their lives and share whatever they would like, Bragg said.

The church will provide transportation for anyone who needs it to the program. The church already provides bus service for people from Belleville, Ypsilanti, Canton Township, Wayne, Detroit, Taylor and other commu-

nities for other church programs. Between 300 and 500 people benefit from the transportation service provided, according to Bragg.

Bragg said the program is court-appointed in many areas around the country where the results have been proven. He said he hopes to approach the 34th District Court when the program is established and statistics are collected. If the program can provide the community with proof that less repeat offenses result from it, it would be a great benefit, he said.

"I think any court system would love to see something like that, as well as the taxpayers," Bragg said.

For more information about Reformers Unanimous, visit the web site at www.reformu.com or call Metro Baptist Church at (734) 697-4065.

Metro Baptist Church is located at 47100 N. I-94 Service Drive in Belleville.

Chiropractors schedule health related workshops this month

Sharon Emeigh
Staff Writer

The Brackney Chiropractic Health Center, in collaboration with The Doctor's Speakers Bureau, provides several free workshops every other week and a special workshop for women during the month of October.

"We have workshops on a variety of educational topics," said Brian Brackney, Doctor of Chiropractic (D.C.). "It's a passion of ours."

Located at 8524 Canton Center Road, the Brackney Chiropractic Health Center is a family practice run by brothers, Michael Brackney D.C. and Brian Brackney, D.C. Michael Brackney, lecturer at the work-

shops, has been practicing in Canton for five years.

Earlier this week, a workshop entitled "Balancing Hormones Naturally: Natural Solutions to Combat PMS and Menopause Symptoms" will take place at the Brackney Chiropractic Health Center.

According to Brian Brackney, he and his brother created this free workshop as a response to the many questions they received from female patrons about PMS and menopause.

"This workshop gave participants not only a complete understanding of the cause of symptoms that occur during PMS and menopause, but also their solutions

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Charter Township of Van Buren Notice of Public Hearing

Residents of Van Buren Township are notified that at the October 21, 2003, Township Board meeting at Township Hall, a Public Hearing will open for discussion of the General Fund and all Special Revenue Funds, or other budgetary matters. The 2003 Amended General Fund Budget proposal totals \$10,236,794; the proposed 2004 General Fund Budget totals \$10,832,260. The Special Revenue Funds under consideration are Fiscal Year CDBG, D.D.A., French Landing Improvement Project, Capital Improvement Fund, Landfill Fund, Museum Fund, Hannan Road Project (SAD), Bemis Road Project (SAD), 911 Service Fund, Federal Forfeiture Fund and State Forfeiture Fund. Each of these funds has an anticipated budget which is available for public review. Consideration of each of the funds will be heard at the Public Hearing and will be an agenda items for Board deliberation. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The specific proposals are available for your review in the Clerk's office, on Friday, October 17, 2003, at Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township.

Joannie Payne, CMC
Township Clerk

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CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE PROPOSALS RFP 03104-24

BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY AUDITING SERVICES

The City of Romulus Michigan is seeking proposals from qualified vendors for the above item.

- (1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit proposals must do so in forms provided by the City. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained from Lynn A. Conway, Purchasing Coordinator, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, by calling (734) 955-4598 or by Emailing romuluspurchasing@icwww.net.
- (2) Proposals must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 p.m. Tuesday October 28, 2003. At that time said bids would be publicly opened and read.

PROPOSAL RESPONSE ENVELOPES MUST BE ADDRESSED:

CITY OF ROMULUS CLERK'S OFFICE

RFP 03/04-24 - BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY AUDITING SERVICES
11111 Wayne Road
Romulus, Michigan

- (3) The right is it reserved reject any and all proposals and to waive technicalities.

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CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS BID 03/04-23 WATER METERS AND R.F. UNITS

The City of Romulus, Michigan is seeking bids from qualified vendors for the above item.

- (1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit bids must do so on forms provided by the City. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained from Lynn A. Conway, Purchasing Coordinator, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by Emailing: romuluspurchasing@icwww.net
- (2) Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes and returned to the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00 pm, Tuesday, November 04, 2003. At that time said bids would be publicly opened and read.

BID ENVELOPES MUST BE ADDRESSED:

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BID 03/04-23 - WATER METERS AND R.F. UNITS
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Romulus, Michigan

- (3) The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and proposals and to waive technicalities.

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Health- Chiropractors schedule free health seminars for public during month of October

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through diet, vitamins, exercise, stress reduction, and other natural methods,” said Brian Brackney.

Advertised as an alternative to Monday Night Football, treats such as pizza and chocolates were provided for this night of relaxation and education, according to Brian Brackney.

Every other week, there are alternating workshops: “A Stress Reduction Workshop” and “Half an Hour to Health.” The work-

shops take place at 6:15 p.m. at the Brackney Chiropractic Health Center.

The next “Half an Hour to Health” will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2003. This is a fun and informative look at health and how the human body works, according to Brian Brackney.

There will be a discussion on the most beneficial and harmful foods for health, the best bottled, filtered, and tapped water, and how much to drink, as well as

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We have workshops on a variety of educational topics.

Brian Brackney, D.C.

sleep habits.

Tuesday, Oct. 28, is the next date for “A Stress Reduction Workshop.” The workshop will discuss different types of stress, danger signs that indicate stress

problems, and how to decrease emotional, chemical, and physical stress, said Brian Brackney.

Michael Brackney will teach “Trigger Point Therapy” at the stress reduction workshop, which

is a natural method for dealing with headaches, neck, mid, and lower back pains, according to Brian Brackney.

“It helps to relieve and reduce tight and sore muscles,” explained Brian Brackney.

The workshops are open to adults and children 12-years and older.

To sign up and for more information call the Brackney Chiropractic Health Center at 734-455-4693.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 7, 2003

Supervisor King called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor King, Clerk Payne, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Hart, Trustee Herman, Trustee Jahr and Trustee Rochowiak. Absent and excused: None. Others in attendance: Planning and Economic Development Director Kelley, Interim Public Safety Director Smolen, Recreation and Facilities Director Ross, Water and Sewer Director Duha, Planning and Zoning Administrator Pugsley, Parks Manager Averill, Secretary Cline and an audience of twelve (12).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Payne moved, Hart seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

MINUTES: Jahr moved, Budd seconded to approve the Work Study Session Minutes of September 15, 2003, as presented. Carried.

Herman moved, Hart seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2003, as presented. Carried.

Rochowiak moved, Budd seconded to approve the Special Board Meeting Minutes October 1, 2003, as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Township is in receipt of the audit report from the Senior Alliance for the Senior Department stating there were no major problems during the 2002 fiscal year.

Two letters expressing appreciation and thanks for the Senior Country Jamboree.

A letter of thanks from a senior to Senior Coordinator Erin Alston for assistance she provided.

A letter thanking the Van Buren Township Police Department for their assistance during a recent traffic accident.

The Recreation Department is in receipt of a \$3,000 check from the Governor’s Council to be used for a vita-course for Quirk Park.

A letter from the Wayne County Department of Environment in regard to the cleanout of Shuart drain beginning in October.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Hart moved, Jahr seconded to approve the second reading to adopt Ordinance 09-16-03 repealing Article IX of Chapter 86 of the Code of General Ordinances in its entirety, and adopting the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Herman, Jahr, Rochowiak, Payne, Budd, Hart and King. Nays: None. Absent: None. Carried.

*(A synopsis of Ordinance 09-16-03 follows the minutes. A complete copy may also be obtained in the Clerk’s Office, Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road during normal business hours.)

NEW BUSINESS: Budd moved, Jahr seconded to approve the reappointments of Anthony Tomaino and Marshall Wied to the Environmental Commission with terms to expire October 1, 2006; the reappointment of David DiRita and the appointment of Pete Lazaroff, Jr. to the Local Development Finance Authority with terms to expire August 12, 2007; the reappointments of Lianne Claire, Joe Roberts and Victor Franzoi to the Public Safety Committee with terms to expire July 30, 2005; and the reappointments of Gerald Cullin and Joan Franzoi to the Planning Commission with terms to expire October 1, 2006. Carried.

Payne moved, Hart seconded to adopt Resolution 2003-37 Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Rawsonville Boat Launch. Carried.

Budd moved, Rochowiak seconded to approve the amendments to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) by-laws. Carried.

Herman moved, Jahr seconded to approve permit applications from SBC to construct

underground telecommunications infrastructure in two areas of the township located on the north side of Bemis Road, just west of the intersection with Lohr Road and the west side of Haggerty Road, just north of Ricardo Drive. Carried.

Hart moved, Herman seconded to approve the final plat for Mission Pointe on the Lake Subdivision located on the north side of West Huron River Drive, west of Elwell Road and east of Hoeft Road, parcel number V-125-83-079-99-0001-000, specifically noting the following items in Director Kelley’s September 25, 2003 memo: 1) Deposit of cash surety of satisfaction value for the purchase and installation of all street trees. 2) Deposit of cash or surety of satisfactory value for the purchase and installation of streetlights. 3) Substitution of another species of street tree in place of the currently quarantined green ash tree. 4) That any and all construction traffic shall not use Sonrisa Street as an access to the site. Carried.

Payne moved, Budd seconded to approve the specifications and the request to accept bids for the construction of the Senior Activities Garden. Carried.

Payne moved, Budd seconded to approve the Supervisor’s recommendation for an Operation and Management Study of the Public Safety Department and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agreement. Carried.

Hart moved, Payne seconded to approve attorney’s recommendation regarding case number 02-24028-CH as noted in the attorney’s October 7, 2003 letter. Carried.

VOUCHER LIST: Budd moved, Herman seconded to approve the October 7, 2003 voucher list as presented. Carried.

REPORTS: Supervisor King ordered the August 2003 Budgetary Report received and filed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Haggerty Road [at Ecorse Road] east of Tyler Road will be closed temporarily on Saturday, October 11th for completion of a water and sewer project.

The Harvest Fest Parade will be held on Saturday, October 11th beginning at Belleville High School and activities will be held during the day at the Belleville Area Museum.

A brick dedication ceremony will be held on Thursday, October 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the Belleville Area Museum.

The Western Wayne County Quilt Show will be held on October 18th and 19th at the Belleville High School cafeteria.

Treasurer Budd announced that Janet Millard, the Executive Secretary for the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce was selected “Woman of the Year” by the Belleville Professional Women organization.

The Parks and Recreation Department announced the following: The “Haunted Forest” will be held on the following Friday and Saturday nights during the month of October: 10th and 11th, 17th and 18th, and 24th and 25th from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at Van Buren Park. The “Annual Trick or Treat” at the Township Hall will be held on Thursday, October 30th at 6:00 p.m. For further information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 699-8921.

Interim Director Smolen announced Fire Prevention Week is October 5th through 11th.

Interim Director Smolen stated the training burn held September 28th was very successful.

AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items): None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Rochowiak moved, Herman seconded to adjourn at 8:44 p.m. Carried.

Joannie D. Payne, CMC
Township Clerk

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OPINION

A higher standard

They don't have an easy job.
We know that.
They see the very worst of people at the very worst of times.
We know that, too.
And we owe them our respect and thanks for the protection they offer each of us, every day, from criminal elements many of us can't even imagine.

That's understood.
And that being acknowledged, the police officers in Sumpter Township who strung up a dummy wearing an African-American mask in a local park and then in the jail should consider themselves fortunate that the suspension from duty was the only penalty administered for their actions.

We think that most other police officers in the area would agree with us. What these men did with their "prank" was an affront to the uniforms that others wear with respect and honor. This pair, one a Sumpter Township patrolman and one a reserve officer, claimed that the hanging of the dummy in the tree, complete with a mask of an African-American man, was simply a joke. Sumpter Township Supervisor Toni Clark said the men were "celebrating the firing of former Police Chief Eddie Womack," who is black. In our mind, that explanation only deepens the lack of judgment and immaturity demonstrated by their actions.

The pair then took the dummy from the tree in the park and hung it in a jail cell next to one in which two black prisoners were being held.

The officers' defense is that it was simply a "joke" and the regular officer disciplined in the incident claims that a black officer thought the prank was "hysterical."

We find it difficult to believe that the entire Sumpter police force suffers from this lack of sensitivity and judgment. If so, we also find it somewhat frightening to consider that men and women of this level of maturity are allowed to patrol the streets carrying loaded guns. We consider the entire incident distasteful and a poor reflection on the Sumpter Township Police, on Sumpter Township and on police officers throughout the area.

These men and women are held to a higher standard. The public expects them to be paragons of strength when we need them. They

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One more time, with feeling

Man makes plans; God laughs

Elected and appointed officials make plans, residents laugh.

Members of the Northville Downtown Development Authority (DDA) faced shades of those old sayings Monday night when they hosted their first public information meeting on a ballot proposal involving a new downtown parking deck.

A large number of people packed the city council meeting room and, in large part, voiced their opposition to the plan. Many sounded exasperated; a few, slightly angry.

It's easy to understand the blank and perplexed looks on the faces of the members of the DDA board and city staff. After all, they've been discussing this issue - in open, public meetings - for the last year and a half. They've talked about it at the DDA level, they've hosted joint meetings with the city council. They've hired consultants. They narrowed down the alternatives to one they thought would best suit the community and ultimately decided to put it before the voters - who now want to backtrack and take a greater part in the planning process.

Well, no problem. City officials expected some form of resistance to

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My city is already cool

Our printing schedule here at The Journal Newspapers prohibited me from writing this column after the first meeting of the Cool Cities Task Force in Wayne.

It's a neat concept (I'm trying not to use the word 'cool' during this entire column) on several levels. It has the potential to get younger people involved in their communities, which is always a good idea. It can quantify the difference between what the younger and older residents of any given city look for in their hometowns. It can help identify common themes in quality of life issues for older and younger people, narrow down the similarities between the two, and ultimately help make those happen across the state. That's the goal of it, anyway.

Sure, the Cool Cities Initiative presents some problems. As Bob Anderson, director of the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority (DDA) said: "No one is the keeper of cool," although I'm sure we all know some people that think they are.

Even if we can all reach a consensus on what we look for in our community, or what types of things make up a viable, vibrant municipality, bringing those ideas to fruition might be a different story. Everybody is all dealing with the same type of economy, after all.

In fact, I suspect that this whole idea might be a bit of window dressing - it's one thing for the governor to start up the initiative, another to fund or be able to fund any of the ideas that come out of it - but I'm excited to be a part of it, anyway.

Even if nothing ever comes from the initiative, at the very least, it will spark dialogue between different types of folks about what makes a city or township or village or hamlet livable, more than livable, or exceptional.

It gets ideas churning, and where ideas start to flow, there will eventually be action. That's just

human nature. It's a valid exercise, even if it turns out to be just a valid exercise.

It will also help develop some positive exposure for communities that desperately need it; communities where elected officials are trying to clear up negative stereotypes, correct problems and promote growth and development.

The City of Wayne, in particular, could benefit from a little positive exposure. Most of the people I know, including friends and family members, have a tendency to shake their heads when I talk about my hometown. They don't realize they many nice things about the city; many of them look at it as merely a splash of building alongside a well-timed and generally smooth-flowing thoroughfare.

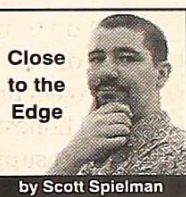
They don't see the extensive park system, the improving schools, the community center. They don't hear the jokes between Mayor Al Haidous and Councilman Tom Kelly about memberships in retirement organizations and fading memories. That's right, sometimes even the city council meetings are good for laughs.

Obviously, I have concerns about my value to the process, even though I haven't gone to the meeting yet. My problem may be that I already think the City of Wayne is a great place to live.

Sure, there are always things to work on; the recalcitrant developers along Michigan Avenue, the image of the city as a speed trap rather than a big, extended friendly neighborhood, the perception of rampant crime.

It will be interesting for me to see if the other members of the task force have the same opinion, or if my vision is impaired because of something as simple as the pride of owning my first home, filled with electrical gremlins as it may be.

I think the task force will have a tall task ahead of them if they want to improve on a city that has already won my heart.



Vision of the future comes true

It is with great alarm and deep concern for America, for our youth, our quality of life, yea, even our survival as a semi-cultural society, that I bring this matter to light. The bloody English are causing havoc in America. For 226 years, the Brits have planned, plotted, schemed, brainstormed and now have found the ultimate way for revenge. Clearly, it is payback for the Boston Tea Party.

There is a clearly an organized subversive, systemized infiltration of the American boob tube viewers. That's us, doc.

Exhibit A—aw, let's save time. Here's exhibits A through Zed (the way it's said in England)

"Weakest Link," "American Idiot" . . . sorry, "American Idol" "Bachelorette," "Fear Factor," and, still to come, "Are you Hot?"

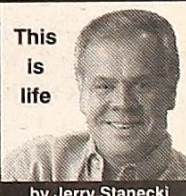
Holy Zora, can this ever be stopped?

"Easy, Jerr," you say. "It's no big deal, it's harmless entertainment."

Maybe so, but there's elements of these shows that we as kind, considerate, polite, respectful of others Americans, could do without.

A key element in all these shows is how much a "judge" can degrade, embarrass, humiliate and absolutely pummel what little self-esteem left in someone seeking his, or her 15 minutes.

Comments like, "That was sensational—sensationally terrible, the worst singing I've ever heard. In fact, you're not even good enough to sing to a herd."



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Future - Reality TV shows turning viewers into author's vision of future society

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The contestant—a deer in the headlights—is verbally slapped into shock, and America laughs. The young wannabe star is subjected to massive doses of cruel, degrading, humiliating lines that come from some has-been, pompous, arrogant, self-inflated, egomaniacal Simon simpleton.

Did I just write that?

See! See, it's affecting all of us, changing us from somewhat decent human beings into a breed of Don Ricklelites. Everywhere, there's wannabe simple Simon, poor imitations of the aging dance hall disc jockey.

You cut your wrist, hoping for quick relief. What happens? Some dummy runs in and wraps the wrists with an

exhaustible supply of leftover bandages from Michael Jackson's plastic surgery.

And yet more evidence on how seduced simple-minded Americans have become. I submit: Michael Jackson, Michael Jackson and Michael Jackson.

It started with a Brit tabloid reporter doing a 2-hour Michael Jackson "Special". Well, not two hours, in reality maybe 20 minutes. The other hour and 40 minutes is, surprise—commercials.

Twenty-four million people watched the first airing of the MJ Special—24 Million! One week, on a single night, Michael Jackson was on network television for seven hours. SEVEN HOURS! Only the Disney Channel hasn't run it. yet. Hold on, there is that Disney-like tie.

I interrupted a top secret dispatch to Saddam Hussein. "No need for a gas

attacks on America. Millions already mind dead from what called "Idiot Box." Signed. Ali Baba.

Survivor, Fear Factor, The Bachelor, The Bachelorette, Wacko Jacko. What's next? Reality bank robbery shows? "Jewish Deer Hunters?" Or maybe, "Execution Extravaganza?"

I'd like to see something worthwhile like, "Politician Survivor?" Ten politicians wearing American Flag shirts and George Bush rubber masks are turned loose in the streets of Baghdad.

If all of this has a familiar ring to it, I remind you of the genius, Patty Chayefsky. Twenty-seven years ago, he wrote the marvelous movie "NETWORK." Brilliant, funny and exactly what is happening today on television. Rent, buy or borrow "NET-WORK" and be stunned.

This is a call to arms, folks. It's time for another tea party, time to get back to good old-fashioned American entertainment. (Cue the Star Spangled Banner) Back to shows not demeaning, dehumanizing, demoralizing. Shows that do not cause emotional havoc on our intelligence.

Yes, America, I'm talking about shows like "The Sopranos."

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Cops - Prank was disgrace to uniform

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are looked up to by schoolchildren as the protectors of our society. They are supposed to project an image of strength, confidence and honesty.

They aren't supposed to care what color we are, where we live, what we do for a living or what our income is. They are supposed to treat us all equally and be objective. They are supposed to protect us—sometimes from each other. That's part of their very difficult job.

The actions of these men are reprehensible, at best. Should such an incident have occurred in any of the other communities we cover, knowing the police chiefs as we do, these men would no longer be on the job. Even union intervention could not have prevented their dismissal after a lapse in professional conduct this overt.

And, to make the situation even more surreal, the officer involved announced his intention to sue the township supervisor for implying that he is a racist in a letter to local publications.

Such arrogance seems only to compound the evidence of this man's failure to realize the responsibilities inherent in his donning a police uniform.

Perhaps the locker-room mentality of this prank was a momentary lapse. Perhaps those involved didn't understand the possible ramifications and interpretation of their actions.

Perhaps it was simply an exercise in poor judgment.

But what if that lack of judgment, that momentary lapse, were to occur when one of these officers had his gun in his hand?

The only color allowed in police work is blue.

Deck - Plan to be revisited, again

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the plan – part of the reason to host an informational meeting is to find out exactly what type of opposition exists to the plan, and how best to answer it.

They learned that the opposition exists on many levels: the size of the deck, the safety of it, the location and the appearance, but the audience felt there was a general need for some type of parking expansion program.

Some of the comments and questions that came up were good ones, others, like comparing the safety issues to those found in a nine-level parking deck in downtown Detroit – weren't.

City officials decided, though – and it was in part Jim Long's idea – to revisit these issues. They even went so far as to schedule a joint meeting between the planning commission, the DDA board, the city council and the historic district commission for next week before they decided that was too short of notice to get all those people together. They remain committed to the joint meeting, and taking another look at the options they had already discarded for one reason or another, so that the general public will know how they arrived at their conclusions, or perhaps to revisit those conclusions themselves.

It's a good idea, in the end. It shows an open-mindedness on the part of the public officials, the same type of open-mindedness they displayed when they decided to go ahead with the vote anyway, even though their attorneys said they had grounds to dismiss the right of referendum petition that would have otherwise placed the issue on the ballot.

There is still hope that the project will proceed. The issue on the ballot in

November is about the funding of the project, not the design or location of it. City officials can still change those proposed decisions.

The sad thing is that they'll probably have to, and the community of Northville will suffer. The plan city officials proposed, for the parking deck on Wing Street and the reconfiguration of the lot behind the Marquis Theater, is still a good one. We endorsed it last week and we stand behind that decision. We can do that because we were at every one of those meetings throughout the past 18 months, wrote about them before they happened and then covered what was decided.

The plan is strong for several reasons: it addresses parking needs in two locations, on Wing Street and behind the Marquis Theater, it will be paid for through DDA funds, not general tax dollars – that means it's essentially free to residents – and it looks nice.

Those are guarantees that can't be made if officials have to revisit the plan. Two smaller decks, a proposal that was originally discussed but discarded because it was too expensive, would involve some financial commitment from the general fund. Even if they could be scaled back, made smaller and cheaper, they wouldn't look as nice as the proposal presented on several different occasions to anyone who cared to look. They'll look like parking decks, in all their ugly utility.

But that may ultimately be beside the point. The DDA board and Mayor Christopher Johnson spelled out plainly that they are still open to ideas and alternative parking proposals. They've made the commitment, and it's our job, along with the job of every interested resident, to make sure they honor that, and to pay attention this time around.



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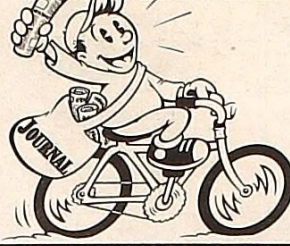
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BUSINESS

North Carolina restaurant chain comes to area

Theresa Werhrett
Staff Writer

Golden Corral Buffet & Grill, a chain of restaurants 470 strong, is breaking into the Detroit market and has opened an inaugural restaurant in Westland.

The new restaurant, located at 37101 Warren Road, celebrated a grand opening Sept. 29. It features freshly prepared food served buffet-style.

"The people of Westland have been very supportive in welcoming us," said Mike Ross, director of operations.

The privately held company, started 30 years ago in North Carolina, had not branched into Michigan prior to this year. Most of the chain restaurants are located in the south, where, according to assistant manager James Higgins, "Golden Corral is very big." There are 87 Golden Corral Restaurants in Texas alone.

The Westland restaurant has been two and a half years in the

making, according to Ross. It took about \$3.6 million to start up the facility, including the land sale, building construction, training and equipment. Ross, who also opened the Chattanooga market for Golden Corral, will spend the next few months fine-tuning operations before he moves on to assist the investor, Seenu Nannapaneni, in opening at least eight additional restaurants in the metro Detroit area.

The next two stores scheduled for completion are located in Pontiac and Warren. Both are expected to open in 2004.

Higgins will remain at the Westland restaurant. "I can't wait,"

said Higgins. "I love Golden Corral. They have high standards. Their standards are higher than Disney's and Disney was tough."

Higgins should know. He is a retired chef from Disney World, where he worked at the Polynesian Village and the Wilderness Lodge. He also spent time there coordinating fantasy

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James Higgins



Employees at the Golden Corral, the newest restaurant in Westland, prepare food in front of customers. The buffet is located on Warren Road between Newburgh Road and Central City Parkway.

weddings. Five years ago, he won the title of U.S. National Champion in the American Culinary Federation competition.

According to Ross and Higgins, Golden Corral offers something other buffet restaurants don't: fresh food prepared in front of guests.

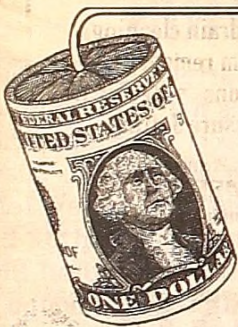
"Nothing is done behind

walls," Higgins said.

Although the chain originated in the south, Higgins said that the menu is not strictly southern fare, but is rather a mix of items. The menu includes core items, which stay constant for several months, plus daily choices. The hot bar may include slow-cooked pot roast, bourbon street chicken, meat loaf, macaroni and cheese

and vegetables.

The 384-seat restaurant is open for lunch and dinner seven days a week, and offers breakfast Friday through Sunday. Adult prices for the buffet are \$5.99 for breakfast and lunch, and \$8.99 for dinner and include all items including salad and dessert. There are discounted prices for seniors and children.



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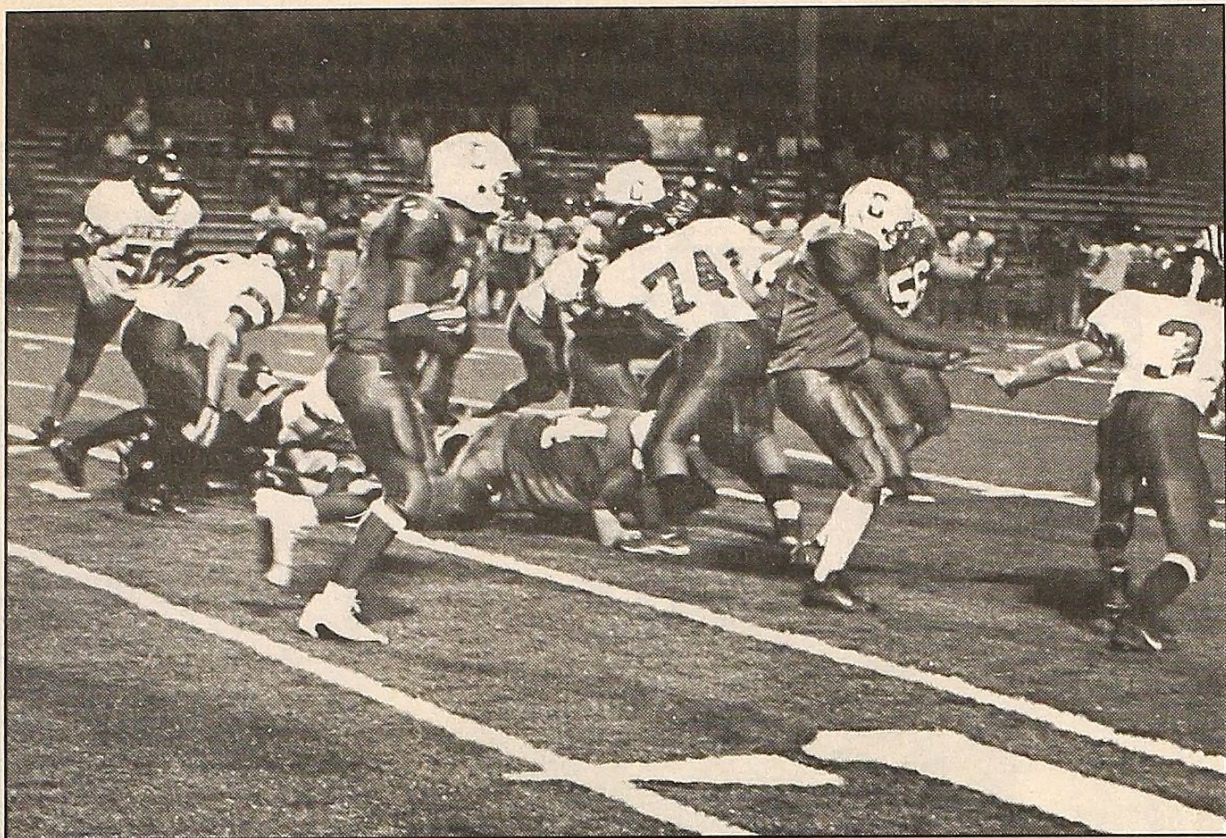
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Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

With a 55-7 win against a lethargic Churchill, the undefeated Canton Chiefs could be considered the greatest show on high school turf – at least in the Western Lakes Athletic Association (WLAA).

The show, directed and narrated by head coach Tim Baechler, stars senior tailback and defensive back Devin Thomas. Supporting cast members include Shawn Little at quarterback, Travis McKinney at wide receiver and Jake Powers at middle line-backer.

Thomas rushed for 115 yards on just three carries. He scored two touchdowns on runs of 62 and 35 yards and caught a 21-yard touchdown pass from Little. To top off the night, he returned an interception 57 yards for a touchdown.

Little scored in the opening act with a 63-yard scramble to the end zone. Thomas followed up with the first of his four touchdowns and McKinney jumped into the fray with a nine-yard touchdown pass from Little to put the Chiefs up 21-0 in the first quarter.

"We got off to a fast start," Baechler said. "We sputtered in the second but got things going again."

Churchill added a twist to the storyline when they scored in the second quarter to make it a 21-7 game but that was the end of the good news for

Churchill.

"Defense played pretty well," Bachler said. "We gave up a big pass play that they scored on – besides that they (Churchill) didn't do anything. I think we held them to 60 yards rushing and most of those were in the fourth quarter."

Although defense usually takes to the backstage – especially when the offense scores 55 points – Maurice Griffin shined with an interception and Jake Powers led the team in tackles.

The spotlight shifted back to Thomas as he scored in the action-packed second quarter where he scored all three of the Chiefs touchdowns and put the team up 42-7 before the intermission.

The Chiefs sent out their understudies for the second half where Andy Rossow ran in a four-yard score in the third quarter and Joe Tonna performed the encore with a four-yard touch-

down run in the fourth quarter.

The curtains closed on Churchill and the audience cheered for the Chiefs 55-7 victory.

The 7-0 Chiefs will take the show on the road to Northville tomorrow night.

"Northville is good," Baechler said. "They spread you all over the field and it makes it hard to defend."

"We have to be better with our technique," he added. "We have to be really sharp on every play."

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Tim Baechler

Mustangs' win streak is cut short

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

A four-game winning streak for the Northville varsity basketball team came to a screeching halt last Thursday night with a 43-37 loss to Walled Lake Western.

Simone Toney led the team with 14 points.

Despite the disheartening loss, the Mustangs have improved their game over the last couple of weeks, according to Coach Pete Wright.

After six straight losses at the start of the season, the Mustangs

revved up and went on a four-game winning streak.

"It's confidence," said Wright. "Everyone is working together more. We have a couple of younger kids playing a lot and I think the team is just working together more."

Northville is a young team with only two seniors on the roster. The rest of the team consists of six juniors, two sophomores and one freshman.

With the team coming together, the team as exploded offensively. The 'Stangs have racked up the points with an average of 45 in their four game streak that

included wins against Churchill, John Glenn, Franklin and Stevenson.

Northville scored a season high 50 points to overtake Churchill 50-40 on Sept. 23 to start their streak. Sophomore Simone Toney led the team with 17 points and junior Evonna Karchon added 10 points.

The girls squeaked out a 44-38 win against John Glenn in their next match. Senior Domonique Desira led the team with 15 points, eight rebounds and blocked two shots. Freshman

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Zebras top Rocks

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

T.J. "Dynamite" Dillard broke free Friday night to help bring Wayne Memorial a homecoming win against Salem.

The hulking 6' 1", 200-pound tailback rushed for 230 yards on 17 carries in the 48-41 victory over the Rocks. Dillard had four touchdown runs of 62, 47 and 67 yards and he punched one in from the one-yard line, too.

"It was probably his best game this season," said the emotionally drained Wayne Head Coach Craig Hnatuk. "The offense played well but our defense isn't working."

Wayne's quarterback, Brad Wilson, went 10-13 for 167 yards and completed a touchdown pass to tight end Justin Venegoni. Wilson also had a 13-yard touchdown run in the win.

J.R. Fells caught six passes for 55 yards for the Zebras.

The Salem Rocks didn't lie down by any means and kept pace as the two teams volleyed 12 total touchdowns in the shootout. The Rocks were in it until the last minute of the game. With 40 seconds left in the game and the score at 48-41, Salem quarterback Chris Drabicki fumbled on Wayne's six-

yard line. With two timeouts left the Rocks were unable to stop Wayne and regain possession.

Drabicki had an otherwise stellar day for the Rocks. He broke three school records when he completed 25-42 passes for 339 yards and two touchdowns and rushed for 65 yards, according to Salem Head Coach Bob Cummings.

Brothers Kevin and Brian Bradley each caught touchdown passes. Kevin caught a total of six passes for 124 yards. Brian ended with nine catches for 80 yards to tie a school record for passes caught.

Jeff Lake also had a great performance with 7 catches for 123 yards. Mike Kerul ran 17 times for 70 yards and scored four touchdowns, which tied another school record.

"The biggest thing is we didn't capitalize on our opportunities," Cummings said. "We could have been up if we could have scored on turnovers. When good teams turn the ball over you have to get points from it."

The game started off shaky for both teams. Wayne muffed the opening kickoff but was able to pick it up and return it to Salem's

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Whalers streak ends

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

The Plymouth Whalers unbeaten streak ended Saturday night with a 4-1 loss to the SS Marie Greyhounds at the Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth.

Whaler's defenseman James Wisniewski of Canton scored his fifth goal of the season on a first-period power play to give the Whalers a 1-0 lead. John Mitchell and Vaclav Meidl recorded assists on the goal.

The Greyhounds tied the game up early in the second period on a goal from Brad Staubitz. The game remained tied through the rest of the period.

Jeff Carter gave the Greyhounds a 2-1 lead with a power play goal at the top of the third period. Just seconds later, on the same power play, Jeff Larsh extended their lead to 3-1.

Jacob King finished off the Whalers with the Greyhounds' fourth goal of the game.

The loss the Greyhounds was the Whalers' first in six games. The win streak started with Kingston on Sept. 26 and went through Belleville, Owen Sound and Sudbury on Oct. 4.

Plymouth's most recent win, their fifth consecutive, came last Thursday night against cross-river rivals the Windsor Spitfires.

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The Plymouth Whalers hope to get back on track when they face off against the Guelph Storm tonight.

Rockets have split week

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

At the halfway point of girls' varsity basketball season, the John Glenn Rockets split their games last week with a win at home against Franklin and a loss on the road against a tough Salem team.

The Rockets pulled out a 38-33 win against Franklin last Tuesday night.

"We never really felt comfortable with the lead and never panicked when we were behind," said John Glenn Coach Mike Schuette.

The Rockets never fell behind but it was a close game all the way through, he said. The game was 20-14 at the half. The defense rebounded well and held Franklin to only three points in the second quarter.

"We pushed them full court," Schuette said. "They scored their only three points off of free throw shots."

Jennifer Thauvette led the team in rebounds with 13 rebounds and contributed eight points on offense.

Carla Nobles led the team in points with 12 and Amy Bailey scored nine for the Rockets.

Franklin did outscore John Glenn 19-18

in the second half but their final three points came off of a three point shot at the buzzer to end the game 38-33 for a Rocket victory.

The results of last Thursday night's meeting in Salem wasn't as rewarding. The Salem Rocks crushed the Rockets 46-18.

"They're just a very good team," Schuette said. "They're very disciplined and very tough and very aggressive. It made for a tough first quarter"

Thauvette led the Rockets with six points and Swartz scored five and had four rebounds.

Kathy Hammerschmidt led the Rocks with 14 points and Ellen Canale added 10.

Salem's record moved to 8-4 for the season and they remain undefeated at 6-0 in conference play. Salem will play Wayne tonight.

The split games put the Rockets' record at 4-7 for the season and 1-5 in the conference.

They will play Stevenson tonight.

The Rockets lost to Stevenson by 11 points in their first meeting this season.

"If we can rebound like we did against Franklin and play a little tougher we will do well," Schuette said.

Mustangs prepare for districts

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

The Northville Mustangs' varsity soccer team wound down their regular season schedule with three wins over Wayne, Walled Lake Central and Walled Lake Northern last week.

The 'Stangs focused on Stevenson this week in a Western Lakes Activity Association (WLAA) playoff game for third place.

Northville tied Stevenson 2-2 in the conference playoff game Monday night.

"It was a great game," said Northville coach Henry Klimes. "That's what we needed before district play."

Northville scored first. James Hannah made some great moves to beat the defense and made a great pass to Mike Cornelius who slammed it home, said Klimes. Stevenson scored off of a penalty kick to equalize the score 1-1 late in the first half, he said.

Stevenson scored again with about 20 minutes left in the game to take a 2-1 lead. With 4:00 left, Hannah scored on a penalty kick to knot the game up.

Northville lost 2-0 to Stevenson earlier

in the season.

"It shows that we have made some adjustments," Klimes said. "It shows the kids that they can play against the top teams. I hope it shows some of the stronger teams that we are a team to be reckoned with."

Northville had two recent shutouts leading into the playoff game.

The Mustangs defeated the Wayne Memorial Zebras 8-0 last Monday in Wayne. Hannah led the team with four goals. Cody Pickring scored three for Northville and Enrique Acevedo scored the final blow to Wayne. John O'Connor recorded the shutout for the team.

The Mustangs also shutout Walled Lake 3-0 last Wednesday. Hannah scored the first goal for the Mustangs and Phil Yutzy scored off of a corner kick to make it 2-0. Acevedo scored the third goal to put the game away. Steve Besk recorded the shutout.

Northville's final record for the season was 11-6-3. Everyone will start out at 0-0 when districts start on Monday, Oct. 20. Northville is scheduled to play North Farmington on Monday.

Salem tennis ends season 8-3

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

The Salem Rocks' varsity tennis season came to end last week.

The Rocks ended with an 8-3 overall record.

"We had a great season," said coach Lin Ware. "Eight and three isn't bad considering we only had four returning players from last year."

Salem picked up two points in the regional competition in Ann Arbor from Missy Nelson in singles and number-one doubles team Mo Bohr and Sarah Jose, said Ware. Both fell to an Ann Arbor team.

Conference competition didn't go any better for the Rocks earlier in the week. Salem seeded three singles players, Alex Ware, Maranon Swasey and Katie Waldeck. Bohr and Jose also made it into the doubles competition.

The singles players were all upset in

the first round, two were to a Walled Lake Western team that they shutout 8-0 in the regular season.

"They were all off their game – it was a cold rainy day and play didn't begin until about 11 a.m. when the original start was at 8 a.m.," Ware said.

Bohr and Jose made it to the semi-finals but fell to Stevenson. They also lost to them in the regular season.

Missy Nelson made it to the finals where she lost to Walled Lake Central's Liz Murray. Nelson's only loss t in the regular season was to Murray.

The weak performance in the conference tournament dropped the Rocks from fourth place in the regular season to sixth place, according to Ware.

"It was a solid season for the girls," Ware said.

"We will only lose three players, Missy Nelson, Katie Waldeck and Reeva Patel, to graduation."

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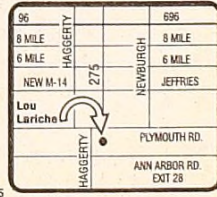


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Lady Eagles soar, beat Edsel Ford, Trenton

Jeff Novak
 Staff Writer

Although the Romulus Lady Eagles' varsity basketball team has only lost one game this season, coach Rhonda McAllister said she was finally satisfied with their intensity of play last Thursday night against Edsel Ford.

"It was a good team effort," she said. "We came out with good intensity and maintained it through the entire game – something we haven't done all season. It was nice to see."

The Eagles moved the ball well and played with great speed throughout the entire game and defeated Edsel Ford 74-47.

The Eagles dominated from the get-go. Alicia Harbor won the tip off, which allowed for Janiece Armstrong to score the first points of the game. Armstrong had an excellent game and hit from the inside and from the perimeter, McAllister said. She ended the game with 28 points, six assists, four rebounds and three steals to lead the team.

"When Janiece is in that zone we just let her go," said McAllister.

Harbor was a free throw away from a double-double with nine points and 10 rebounds in the win.

With only a few seconds on the clock in the first quarter, Deborah Anderson split a pair from the line to put the Eagles up 24-13. Anderson put up 12 points and had four rebounds, two steals and blocked one shot in the game.

The Eagles' defense held the Edsel

Ford Thunderbirds to only seven points in the second quarter.

Erika Mims had a breakaway lay-up in the final second of the half to put Romulus up 45-20. Mims scored 12 points and had seven assists, three steals and two blocked shots in the game.

The Eagles maintained their pace, going in the third quarter to score 16 points, which included a three-pointer by Armstrong with 20 seconds left. Edsel Ford hit a lay-up at the buzzer but the damage was done, Romulus had a commanding 61-33 lead to start the fourth quarter.

Romulus scored another 13 points in the fourth quarter and that included a three-pointer from Landria Buckley. Her shot put the Eagles up 72-41 with 2:45 left in the game. Kenice Thompson and Crystal Scott each split their shots from the line to finish out the scoring for Romulus and end the game 74-47.

Ashley Sibby, usually a top scorer, contributed with six points but played a spectacular defensive game. She held Edsel Ford's top scorer, Alisha Moslimani, to four points in the first half. Moslimani ended the game with 14 points but six were from the free throw line.

"She had a great game," McAllister said. "Sometimes players don't understand that they don't have to score a lot of points to have a great game."

Harbor also had a strong defensive game and held another one of Edsel Ford's top players, Danielle Woolsey to only nine points in the game. Once Harbor got into foul trouble, Constance Kersey

stepped up in her place.

"She's done a really good job when Alicia was in foul trouble," McAllister said. "Her defense keeps getting better."

The stellar team performance came off of 63-40 win last week against Trenton. Armstrong led the team with 20 points and seven assists. She shot four three-pointers in the game, according to McAllister.

Sibby generated 13 points, five assists

and nabbed five rebounds. Harbor scored 10 and had seven rebounds. Anderson contributed eight points to the team victory.

The Lady Eagles' overall record reached 10-1 and 4-0 in the Mega White Conference.

The Eagles will test their intensity against other Mega White leaders, Garden city (2-1 White) tonight and Dearborn (3-0 White) next Tuesday night.

NOTICE CITY OF ROMULUS STREET AND ALLEY VACATION

Notice is hereby given, that the City Council of the City of Romulus has scheduled a Public Hearing to be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 on Monday, October 27, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of taking testimony on the proposed vacation of the following streets and alley:

Rogers Ecorse Estates Subdivision

That portion of Hunt Street abutting Lot 9, Moore Street abutting Lots 20 and 37, Delano abutting Lots 38 and 65, Wahrman abutting Lot 76, also that portion of the alley from the east side of Delano Street to the west side of Moore Avenue abutting Lots 37 thru 49 inclusive.

Written comments may be forwarded to the attention of Linda R. Choate, CMC, City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485, or telephone (734) 942-7540, no later than 12:00 noon, EST, October 27, 2003.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk
 City of Romulus, Michigan

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Publish: October 9, 2003
 October 16, 2003

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 09-16-03 Ypsilanti Communities Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations

Second reading of ordinance for adoption.

An ordinance to amend the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Van Buren by repealing Article IX of Chapter 86 (Sections 86-451 through 86-524) of the Van Buren Township Code of Ordinances and adopting the Ypsilanti Communities Utilities Authority Sewer Use Regulations.

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

- Sec. 1. Applicability of article and Repeal of Former Ordinance.
- Sec. 2. Definitions.
- Sec. 3. Abbreviations.
- Sec. 4. Protection from damage.

DIVISION 2. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

- Sec. 5. Permit or authorization required.
- Sec. 6. Information required prior to connection to system.
- Sec. 7. Reporting required after promulgation or revision of a pretreatment standard and reporting from a new source.
- Sec. 8. Additional reporting required and periodic report requirements.
- Sec. 9. Powers of the YCUA.
- Sec. 10. Sampling and monitoring facilities may be required.
- Sec. 11. Right to access of facilities for inspection, sampling, records examination, record copying or other duties.
- Sec. 12. Compliance with article provisions required.
- Sec. 13. Confidentiality of information.
- Sec. 14. Enforcement by township.
- Sec. 15. Records, accounts, audits, classification of users, insurance.
- Sec. 16. Powers and authority of inspectors.
- Sec. 17. Enforcement Process.
- Sec. 18. Same — Surcharges, fees.
- Sec. 19. Permit — Requirements for nondomestic users.
- Sec. 20. Same — Application.
- Sec. 21. Same — contents.
- Sec. 22. Same — Issuance process.
- Sec. 23. Penalty for violation of article; liability of user.
- Sec. 24. Funding.

DIVISION 3. BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS

- Sec. 25. Permit required.
- Sec. 26. Classes of permits; application; fees.
- Sec. 27. Costs of connection to be borne by owner; indemnification of township and YCUA.
- Sec. 28. Separate building sewer for each building required; exception.
- Sec. 29. Use of old building sewers with new buildings.
- Sec. 30. Construction specifications.

- Sec. 31. Elevation.
- Sec. 32. Prohibited connections.
- Sec. 33. Connection specifications.
- Sec. 34. Inspection; supervision of connection.
- Sec. 35. Guards for excavations; restoration of public property.

DIVISION 4. USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS

- Sec. 36. Required.
- Sec. 37. Unpolluted discharges.
- Sec. 38. Grease, oil and sand interceptors.
- Sec. 39. Prohibited discharges.
- Sec. 40. Promulgation of more stringent standards.
- Sec. 41. Prohibited concentrations of certain pollutants and mercury reduction plan.
- Sec. 42. Sampling, measurements, tests and analyses.
- Sec. 43. Surcharge for discharges of unusual strength.
- Sec. 44. Special agreements authorized.
- Sec. 45. Dilution of discharge.
- Sec. 46. Accidental discharges.
- Sec. 47. Determination of sewage flow.
- Sec. 48. Disposal at sewage treatment plant.
- Sec. 49. Bypass.
- Sec. 50. Report of violation.
- Sec. 51. Notification of authorities upon discharge of hazardous waste.

DIVISION 5. PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL

- Sec. 52. Authorized under certain conditions.
- Sec. 53. Permit required; application; fees.
- Sec. 54. Inspection by township and YCUA
- Sec. 55. Specifications.
- Sec. 56. Connection with public sewer.
- Sec. 57. Sanitary maintenance required.
- Sec. 58. Other requirements.

Effective Date:

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 7th day of October, 2003.

YEAS : Herman, Jahr, Rochowiak, Payne, Budd, Hart and King.

NAYS : None.

ABSENT: None.

Joannie D. Payne, CMC
 Clerk

Adopted: 10/07/03.
 Publish: October 16, 2003

Chiefs take 2

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

The Canton Chiefs' varsity basketball team outscored opponents by a combined score of 95-37 last week. They won both games.

The Chiefs' first contest last week was against the Wayne Memorial Zebras on Tuesday night. Both teams had a slow start but Canton pulled ahead for a 42-20 victory.

The first half ended 13-8 with Canton in the lead.

"They (Wayne) played zone against and we got some good first shots but not many second shots," said Canton's coach Bob Blohm. "When Wayne had the ball they took their time and controlled the tempo in the first half."

Senior Rachele Guastella and Junior Katie Cezat teamed up for a combined 30 points to lead the Chiefs.

Cezat had a great all around game, Blohm said. She scored 18 points and recorded four assists, 21 rebounds and blocked 7 shots.

Guastella scored 12 points and had four assists and seven steals.

"They've done a great job together," Blohm said. "They understand how each other plays the game."

Guastella is more of an out-



The Canton Chiefs varsity basketball team remained undefeated last week in conference play.

side player while Cezat plays inside around the net, he said.

The chiefs score 29 points in the second half to pull away from the Zebras in the conference crossover game.

"We had a good third quarter," Blohm said. "We rebounded better and defended a little better."

The Zebras were able to keep it close through the first quarter and into the third but Canton really pulled away in the fourth when they scored 16 points to Wayne's four.

"The team played an awesome game," said Wayne coach Dan Kaminski. "The score was eight points for the whole game until the last quarter."

Renita Price led the Zebras with 10 points. Wayne plays a tough Salem team at home tonight.

Canton went on last week to defeat Franklin 53-17 Thursday night in a conference match-up.

Cezat led again with 18 points and 11 rebounds. Guastella scored 10 and Lisa Ealy chipped in with 10 points and nabbed 7 rebounds.

"We played good offense and we had a size advantage," Blohm said.

"We were able to get the ball inside and got a lot of good first shots."

Northville will host the Chiefs tonight.

Riley leads Robichaud

Jeff Novak
Staff Writer

Dearborn Heights Robichaud senior hoop star Mary Riley led the team in two games last week. Robichaud split their games with a 58-31 win against Melvindale on Tuesday and a 54-49 loss to Carlson on Thursday.

Riley scored 34 points in the win. That's more points than the entire Melvindale team scored. She scored 18 points in the fourth quarter alone, according to coach

Warren Woods. Riley also recorded 10 rebounds, six steals and she was 6-9 from the free throw line.

"It was a good all-around game for her," Woods said. "I only had to tell her once to work on her free throw shots and she really improved in that area."

Shakira Patillo contributed 12 rebounds in the victory.

"We played a great game," Woods said. "We led through all four quarters of play. Our team has really come together. This was a game we needed to win - they went out and played well and they won a game they were supposed to win - that's what we need to do."

Although Robichaud scored 49 points against Gibraltar Carlson last Thursday night they weren't able to pull away. Carlson won the close game 54-49.

"This was the best game we played so far," Woods said. "Both teams played excellent basketball. Both teams played hard. Carlson is the best team in the conference."

Riley led the team again with 31 points, five assists and eight rebounds. She went 8-13 from the line.

With Senior Shenika Vodden out with the flu, Robichaud played the game with only seven girls.

"Shenika is a key player," Woods said. "She's a great at ball handling and shooting. I think if she would have played we could have won that game. Not to take anything away from how the rest of the team played - they played great, but I think if we had another ball handler we could have won."

Robichaud will play Highland Park and River Rouge this week.

"They're both winnable games," Woods said. "Our upcoming schedule is good. It looks good. I look at it like we're almost in the driver's seat. I'm looking forward to it; we're still in it."

Both teams played excellent basketball. Both teams played hard. Carlson is the best team in the conference.

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Zebras

FROM PAGE 16

33-yard line.

J.R. Fells made a beautiful catch from Brad Wilson on Salem's one-yard line to set up Dillard's one-yard touchdown run to take a 7-0 at 8:21 in the first quarter.

Two minutes later Salem's Mike Kerul blasted through the line for a two-yard score for the Rocks and tied the game 7-7.

The Zebras took the lead again 30 seconds later off of a 62-yard touchdown run by Dillard to move them to 14-7.

On a Salem punt, Wayne was penalized for too many men on the field. The penalty gave Salem the ball back on Wayne's 34-yard line.

Kerul picked up a first down on Wayne's 24-yard line to set up Drabicki's 24-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Bradley with 1:03 left in the first quarter.

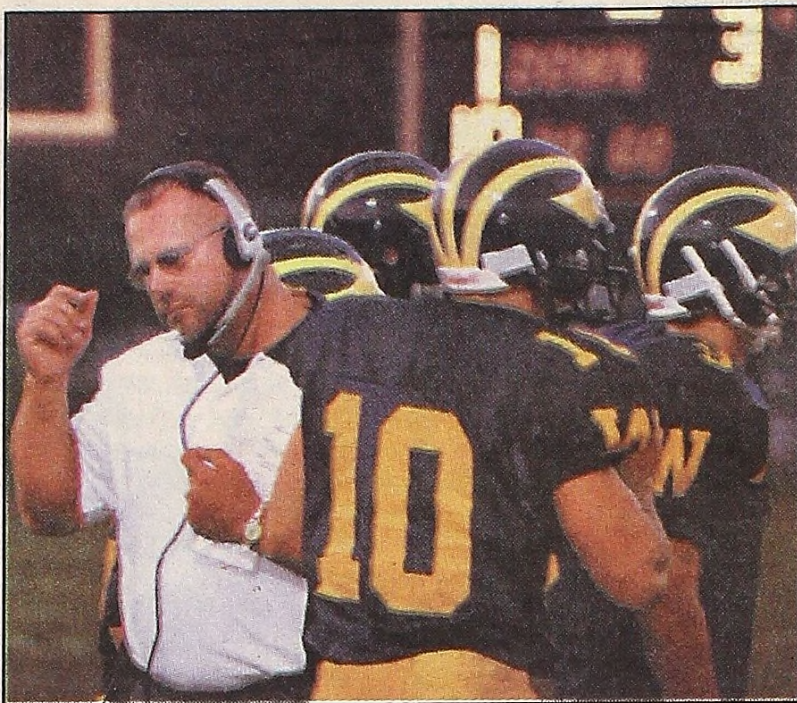
The extra point was good to tie the game up at 14.

Wayne marched down the field again and scored off of a 47-yard run by Terrell Ford to make it a 21-14 game with 14 seconds left in the first quarter.

Drabicki completed two big third down plays to set up Kerul's second rushing touchdown and even the score at 21.

With 3:04 left in the first half Wilson ran in a score from 13 yards out to put Wayne back up 28-21.

Fells intercepted a misfired Drabicki pass, which set up Dillard's third touchdown scramble. He was nearly caught in the backfield but bounced to the out-



Wayne Memorial Head Coach Craig Hnatuk responds to a Salem touchdown last week in a 48-41 shootout.

side and ran it in from 47 yards out. The Zebras extended their lead to 35-21.

With 3:36 left in the third quarter Kerul ran in his third touchdown from the one-yard line to make it a 35-28 game.

In the fourth quarter, Wayne faced a fourth-and-one situation. Dillard exploded through the line and ran 67 yards to pay dirt and extended their lead to 42-28.

Drabicki completed 4-10 passes to drive down field to Wayne's nine-yard line to set up Kerul's fourth touchdown of the night to cut into the Zebra's lead 42-34. Salem's onside kick failed and set up a 48-yard touchdown pass from Wilson to Venegoni. The extra point failed to make it a 48-34 game.

With 5:18 left in the game Drabicki connected with Brian Bradley for an 11-yard touchdown to move the Rocks to within a touchdown at 48-41. Salem's onside kick attempt failed again and Wayne regained possession on their 47-yard line. However they turned the ball over on downs near midfield.

Salem marched down to Wayne's six-yard line and with 40 seconds left, the rest is history.

"I'm drained," Hnatuk said after the game. "Emotionally drained. That's all I can say right now."

Wayne goes on the road to play Walled Lake Central tomorrow night and Salem plays their homecoming game against Walled Lake Western.

Hockey

FROM PAGE 16

The Whalers earned all of their goals in a 58-second span in the first period to beat the Spitfires 3-1.

Meidl scored first on a power play to give the Whalers' a 1-0 lead at 9:29 in the first. Wisniewski fed the pass to Meidl to record the assist. Just 24 seconds later Mitchell, assisted by Dan Collins and Wisniewski, scored his fifth goal of the year to put the Whalers up 2-0.

Tim Sestito increased the lead 34 seconds later to give Plymouth a commanding 3-0 lead at 10:27

in the first. Collins recorded his second assist on the goal.

Mitch Maanu scored for Windsor off of a power play in the second period to make it a 3-1 game. The Whalers held on to win the game 3-1.

Plymouth remained unbeaten with a 1-1 tie Friday night against the Guelph Storm.

The loss to the Greyhounds moved the Whaler's record to 5-3-1 for the season and will have a rematch the Storm Tomorrow night at home. The Whalers will remain at home on Saturday with a face off against the Sarnia Sting and hit the road for a Sunday afternoon meeting against the Brampton Battalion.

Hoops

FROM PAGE 16

Danielle Toney scored nine points and had four rebounds and eight steals.

The Mustangs ran over Franklin 45-21 to continue their winning streak on Oct. 02. Kerchon scored 11 points and had five rebounds in the routing. Desira led the team again with 11 points and seven rebounds.

Last Tuesday, the Mustangs beat Stevenson 42-29.

Simone Toney and Desira each scored 12 points to lead the team in that victory. Desira added another 13 rebounds in the game.

"Desira is a solid rebounder," Wright said. "She's starting to play they we thought she could."

After 11 games played, Desira leads the team with 71 rebounds.

Simone Toney leads the team in points this season with 89 and Karchon is second with 83 points.

The Mustangs scored only 136 points total in their first five games with an average of 27 points per game. They went on to score 206 point in their next five games, which boosted their average to 41 points per game.

In their four wins, the Mustangs averaged 45 points per game.

Wright said that he is looking forward at another chance to play against division leader Canton tonight. The Chiefs beat the Mustangs 48-30 in their first meeting in Canton last month.

"We always want to get a shot at the top team," Wright said. "We made some mistakes last time but we're playing much better now. We're looking forward to it."

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